Cybercrime in the Deep Web

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The Deep Web is any Internet content that, for various reasons, cannot be or is not indexed by search engines like Google. This definition thus includes dynamic web pages, blocked sites (like those where you need to answer a CAPTCHA to access), unlinked sites, private sites (like those that require login credentials), non-HTML/contextual/scripted content, and limited-access networks.

Limited-access networks cover sites with domain names that have been registered on Domain Name System (DNS) roots that are not managed by the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), like .BIT domains, sites that are running on standard DNS but have non-standard top-level domains, and finally, darknets. Darknets are sites hosted on infrastructure that requires specific software like Tor before it can be accessed. Much of the public interest in the Deep Web lies in the activities that happen inside darknets.

Unlike other content in the Deep Web, limited-access networks are not crawled by search engines not because of technical limitations. In fact, gateway services like tor2web offer a domain that allows users to access content hosted on these hidden services.

While the popular imagery for the Deep Web is an iceberg, we prefer to compare the Deep Web to a subterranean mining operation in terms of scale, volatility and access. If anything above ground is part of the "searchable Internet," then anything below the ground is part of the Deep Web—inherently hidden, harder to get to, and not readily visible.

What are the Uses of the Deep Web?

A smart person buying recreational drugs online will not want to type keywords in a regular browser. He/she will need to go online anonymously, using an infrastructure that will never lead interested parties to his IP address or physical location. Drug sellers as well, will not want to set up shop in online locations where law enforcement can easily determine, for instance, who registered that domain or where the site's IP address exists in the real world.

There are many other reasons apart from buying drugs why people would want to remain anonymous, or to set up sites that could not be traced back to a physical location or entity. People who want to shield their communications from government surveillance may require the cover of darknets. Whistleblowers may want to share vast amounts of insider information to journalists but do not want the paper trail. Dissidents in restrictive regimes may need anonymity in order to safely let the world know what is happening in their country.

But on the other side of the coin, people who want to plot an assassination versus a high-profile target will want a method that is guaranteed to be untraceable. Other illegal services such as the selling of documents like passports and credit cards will also require an infrastructure that will guarantee

anonymity. The same could be said for people who leak other people's personal information like addresses and contact details.

The Clear Web vs The Deep Web

When discussing the Deep Web, it's inevitable that the phrase "Clear Web" will pop up. It's exactly the opposite of the Deep Web—the portion of the Internet that can be indexed by conventional search engines and accessible via standard web browsers without the need for special software and configurations. This "searchable Internet" is called the Clear Web.

The Dark Web vs The Deep Web

There is much confusion between the two, with some outlets and researchers freely interchanging them. However, the Dark Web is not the Deep Web; it is only part of the Deep Web. The Dark Web relies on darknets, networks where connections are made between trusted peers. Examples of Dark Web systems include Tor and the Invisible Internet Project (I2P).

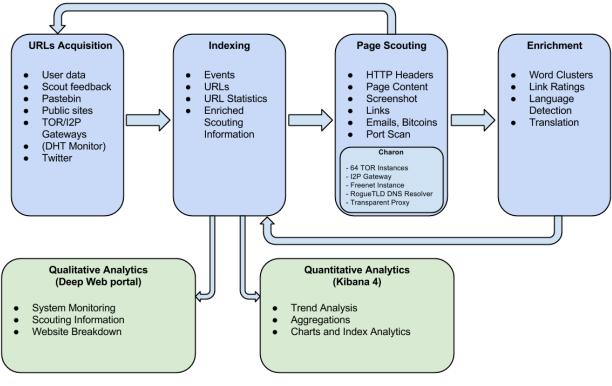
Taking on the mining tunnel metaphor, the Dark Web would be the deeper portions of the Deep Web that will require highly specialized tools or equipment to access. It is deeper underground, and the owners have more reason to keep the contents hidden.

Our Deep Web Analyzing tool

The Deep Web Analyzer (DeWA) has been designed with the goal of supporting investigations in tracking down malicious actors, exploring new threats and extracting meaningful data from the Deep Web, e.g. new malware campaigns.

DeWA consists of the following 5 modules:

- 1. A Data Collection module, responsible for finding and storing new URLs from multiple sources
- 2. A Universal Gateway (Charon), which allows to access the hidden resources in darknets like TOR and I2P and to resolve the custom DNS addresses
- 3. A Page Scouting module, responsible for checking what lies in the new URLs collected
- 4. A Data Enrichment module that takes care of integrating the scouted information with other sources
- 5. A Storage and Indexing module, that saves the data and makes it available for further analysis
- 6. UI and visualizations for both qualitative and quantitative analysis.



DeWA -- System Overview

Data Collection

The first DeWA module consists on a data collection module, whereas data consists essentially of new URLs related to either:

- Hidden services hosted in TOR and I2P
- Freenet resource locators
- .bit domains
- other domains with a non-standard TLD, falling in the list of TLDs handled by some known alternative domain registrars

Finding such URLs is no easy task, even more so to keep an updated list in order to find new upcoming domains as quick as possible. Therefore, we monitor different possible sources of URLs:

- User data, checking HTTP connections to hidden services or non-standard domains
- Pastebin-like sites, checking for snippets of text containing Deep Web URLs
- Public forums (reddit etc...), looking for posts containing Deep Web URLs
- Sites collecting Deep Web domains, such as deepweblinks.com or darkspider.com;
- TOR Gateways statistics, such as tor2web.org: these sites allow users to access hidden services without installing TOR, but in exchange they keep publicly available statistics about what domains are accessed the most on a daily basis;
- I2P resolv files: as a way to speed up hostname resolution in I2P, it is possible to download some precompiled host lists from a number of hidden sites. We save that list to find new interesting domains;

Twitter, looking for tweets containing Deep Web domains or URLs.

Data is analyzed and indexed so that not only we can discover new domains, but we can also perform traffic analysis on the individual URL components, an analysis that allows us to find new strains of malware infections.

Charon: a Universal Deep Web Gateway

As we mentioned previously, Deep Web resources are hard to access. Darknets like TOR and I2P require a specific software that acts as a proxy, while alternative DNS systems and rogue TLD registrar need the use of dedicated DNS servers to resolve an address. In order to make all these operations convenient and fast, we have deployed Charon, a transparent proxy server that routes an HTTP request to the appropriate system based on its URLs.

Depending on the kind of URLs being accessed, Charon can connect to:

- 64 load balanced TOR instances
- an I2P instance
- a Freenet node
- a custom DNS Server able to do every custom TLD resolution

Page scouting

For every URL that we collect we perform what we call "scouting", i.e. we try to connect to the URL and save the response data. In case of error, the full error message is stored, to understand if the connection failed due to domain resolution error, server-side error, transport error, etc. In case of HTTP errors, the full HTTP headers are stored, a practice that has already proven to be successful to identify malware related hosts, who are known to answer only to specific type of HTTP requests and will fail otherwise. In case of success, we developed a headless browser to extract relevant information from the downloaded page. Once a page is downloaded the following operation are performed:

- We still log all the HTTP Headers, and follow any HTTP redirection chain;
- We perform the full rendering of the page's DOM (in order to get dynamic javascript pages out of the way);
- We take a page screenshot;
- We compute the page size and md5;
- We extract every page metadata: title, meta tags, resources, keywords;
- We extract the text stripped of all the HTML;
- We extract all the links from the page;
- We collect the email addresses found in the page.

This gives us all the intelligence that can be gathered from a generic page without previous knowledge. Furthermore, the URLs extracted from each scouted page are backfed to the data collection module and indexed as an additional data source.

Data Enrichment

Data enrichment of the scouted data consists, for every successfully scouted page, of the following operations:

- Language detection of the page;
- Translation, using Google Translate, of every non-English page to English;
- Link ratings and classification, using Trend Micro's own Web Reputation System[REF];
- Significant WordCloud generation using semantic clustering.

The last operation relies on a custom clustering algorithm developed by us, in order to create a WordCloud of the site that contains the most significant information. The algorithm works as follows:

- 1. The page text is tokenized in its individual words and the number of occurrences for each word;
- 2. Words are filtered, only substantives are kept while other elements such as verbs, adjectives etc. are discarded. Substantives are normalized, so to keep only the singular form;
- 3. The semantic distance matrix is computed: this is a matrix containing how "close" each word is to each other, using a so-called WordNet metric. The WordNet metric works by measuring the taxonomical distance of every word in the general language. As an example, words like "baseball" and "basketball" will score fairly close to one another since both are "sports". The same way, "dog" and "cat" will be considered close since they are both "animals". On the other hand, "dog" and "baseball" will be considered pretty far from each other;
- 4. Once we have the distance of every word pair, words are clustered together starting from the closest one in increasing distance. We create this way groups of words with similar meaning;
- 5. Clusters are labeled using the first word in alphabetical order as label, and scored summing up the occurrences of every word in the cluster;
- 6. Using the labels and scores of the top 20 clusters, a WordCoud is generated and drawn.

This allows an analyst for a quick glance around the main topics of a page.

Storage and Indexing

Both URL feeds and scouting information are stored in an Elasticsearch cluster and indexed according to different criteria. Scouting information is indexed as one document per page, and made searchable by Elasticsearch capabilities. This way relevant keywords can be searched throughout all the 244.000 scouted pages with simple free text queries. URL information is also processed to store relevant statistics for each URL component. This allows us, for example, to determine not only when a hostname has first been spotted in the system, or how popular a path is in user data, but also to know when a specific pair of hostname + query parameter first appeared, how frequently we see a give path + query value across all the TOR hostnames, and so on.

UI and visualization

In order to access and manipulate the data, we rely on three different systems interfacing Elasticsearch:

• For the so-called *qualitative analysis*, we developed a custom Deep Web Portal: this portal is mainly aimed at investigators to "look" at the data freely without the need of pulling statistics out of it. It is also used to debug the data sources and scouting module. It offers multiple tabs with

different visualizations, namely: a Website breakdown, that allows to navigate all the Deep Web URLs by hostname, path, query string and search by URL components; a URL Summary, showing the entire list of collected URLs; a Scouting summary, presenting the scouted pages individually, and allowing searches in the page content, rather than in the URL.

- For the so called *quantitative analysys*, we rely on Kibana, an open source software developed in conjunction with Elasticsearch that allows for advanced statistics and realtime metric calculations on the data. It offer a first tab for data exploration, and a Visualization tab that allows for the plotting of charts according to different data metrics and aggregations.
- For more advanced data inspection that might go beyond Kibana's capabilities we rely on an iPython notebook, enriched with custom libraries, that allows us to run python scripts against the Elasticsearch cluster, inspect the data natively and compile detailed reports inline.

The State of the Deep Web

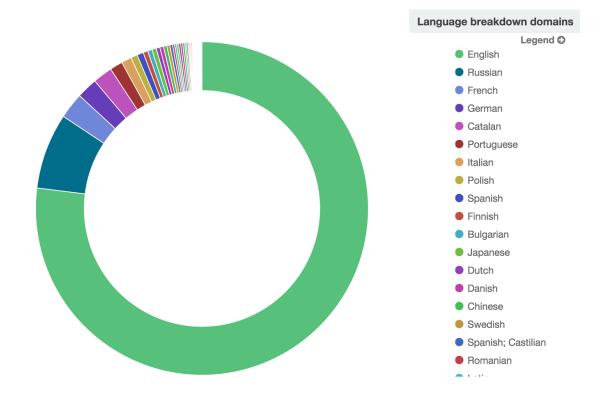
A first analysis we can make on the collected data across the past 2 years concerns the language distribution of all the scouted pages. Language detection is performed using two different methods:

- Using the "guess_language" Python module, which adopts a trigram-based algorithm and works
 offline.
- Upon page translation to English, using directly Google Translate

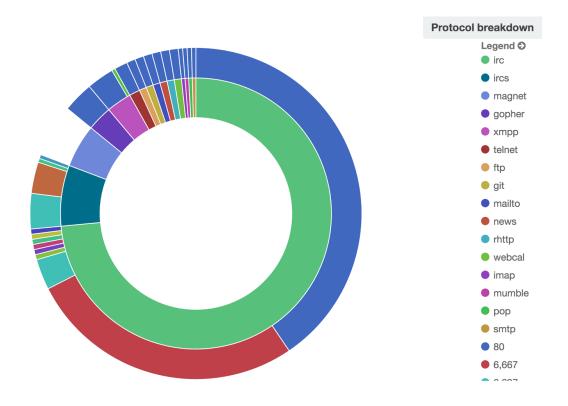
The results are then compared in order to overcome each system's limitations with the other one: for example, Google Translate has no concept of "unknown language" (for example when there is no data in a page), but rather defaults to English in case of doubt, hence creating a huge bias in the data. This is why we rely on a two tier system to perform the detection.

The following figure shows the language popularity according to the number of domains containing pages in said language, while figure shows a language breakdown according to the sheer number of URLs containing content in said language. In computing the statistics we have filtered out pages smaller than 1kb (since they would not bear enough data to perform a reliable detection) and all pages classifieds as "unknown")

In terms of raw number of domains (who, unless in case of a page hosting provider like a "Geocities in the Deep Web" could be, almost always correspond to the actual number of different sites) we see that English is the language of choice here, with more than 2154 sites out of a total of 4599 successfully scouted domains. Second for variety comes Russian, followed by French (which might include, of course, both French and French Canadian sites) with, respectively, 228 and 189 domains.



Another interesting aspect unbeknownst to most is what lies beyond the standard websites in the Deep Web. We have gathered together all the URLs that have been collected in the past 2 years of research, and they have been grouped according to their URL scheme (e.g. http, https, ftp...). Of all the collected domains, almost 22.000 are (predictably) associated to either the http or https protocol, being data hosting the principal activity. But if we filter out those domains, the remainder shows some interesting data, as portrayed by figure:



More than 100 domains are in fact hosting either IRC or IRCS protocols: these are normally chat servers that can either be used as a rendezvous point for malicious actors to meet and exchange goods, or as a communication channel for botnets. Same concept applies to the 7 XMPP domains, representing another protocol for chat servers running in TOR.

Examples of malicious activities in the Deep Web

The goods and services we found offered in the Deep Web very well translate the kinds of transactions people try to get into if their anonymity was guaranteed. The lack of proper identification presents a high risk, but it also provides an obscure sense of security that grants them the freedom to offer mostly illegal goods and services. Also, unlike in the cybercriminal underground, most types of activities we saw in the Deep Web have more drastic effects to the "real world".

We can't vouch for the authenticity of the goods and services discussed here, only for the fact that the sites advertising them do exist. We weren't able to cover all of the possible goods and services offered, but included several of the major categories that should give a clear idea of the nature of transaction that goes on in the deep web.

Passports / Citizenship for sale

Passports and ID are uniquely powerful documents – and fake ones even more so. They act not only as a form of identification for crossing borders (including ones the buyer could normally not easily cross), but also can be used for everything from opening of bank accounts, apply for loans, purchasing property and much more – so it of no surprise that they are a valuable commodity. There are several sites on the Deep

Web claiming to sell passports and other forms of official ID, with prices varying from country to country, and seller to seller.

As mentioned in the Intro the validity of such services is hard to verify without actually purchasing from them, and especially in the cases of things like Citizenship these services may well be simple scams preying on the vulnerable people in different countries who are looking to obtain citizenship in order to remain in that country.



USA Citizenship for sale for under 6000 USD http://xfnwyig7olypdq5r.onion/





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Country	Price for Passport	Price for Passport + Driving license	Price for Passport + ID card	Price for Passport + Driving license + ID card
Australia	600 Euro	700 Euro	700 Euro	800 Euro
Belgium	500 Euro	600 Euro	600 Euro	700 Euro
Brazil	400 Euro	-	-	-
Canada	600 Euro	700 Euro	700 Euro	800 Euro
Ireland	500 Euro	600 Euro	600 Euro	700 Euro
Italia	550 Euro	650 Euro	650 Euro	750 Euro
Finland	500 Euro	600 Euro	600 Euro	700 Euro
France	600 Euro	700 Euro	700 Euro	800 Euro
Germany	600 Euro	700 Euro	700 Euro	800 Euro
Malaysia	450 Euro	550 Euro	550 Euro	650 Euro
Netherlands	600 Euro	700 Euro	700 Euro	800 Euro
Norway	650 Euro	750 Euro	750 Euro	850 Euro
Poland	500 Euro	600 Euro	600 Euro	700 Euro
Portugal	500 Euro	600 Euro	600 Euro	700 Euro
Spain	550 Euro	650 Euro	650 Euro	800 Euro
Switzerland	650 Euro	750 Euro	750 Euro	850 Euro
Sweden	550 Euro	650 Euro	650 Euro	750 Euro
United Kingdom	650 Euro	750 Euro	-	-
USA	700 Euro	800 Euro	800 Euro	900 Euro

For some countries we have an unique option to register passports in official government department databases. To get more details please contact with our manager: documents.service@safe-mail.net

Additional services	Price for one unit	
Documents duplicating	extra 100 Euro	
Visa/stamps affixion	extra 25-110 Euro	

Prices on specific services like producing passports and documents for countries not listed above, duplicates, stamps, diplomatic passports and others should be discussed with our operator and may be variable.



Pricing information and samples for fake passports and other documents http://fakeidigyiumbgpu.onion

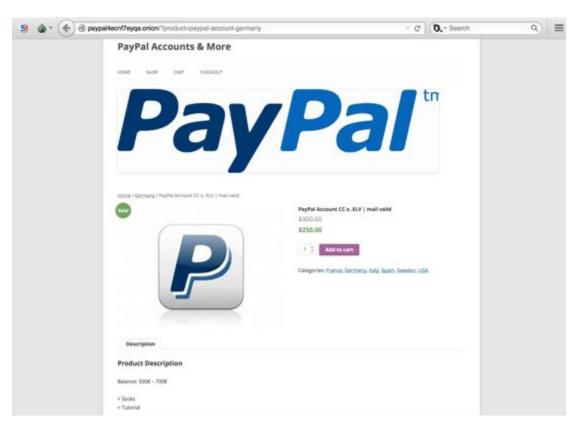
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- [2] http://vfqnd6mieccqyiit.onion/ UK Passports
- [3] http://fakeidigyiumbgpu.onion/ Fake Passports, many countries

Stolen Accounts for Sale

The buying and selling of stolen accounts if most definitely not restricted to the Deep Web alone – this is a very common practice among all of the criminal underground forums that exist on the Clear Web, and something that we have written extensively about in the past in reports on the Russian [1][2] and Chinese [3] speaking undergrounds. Accounts for credit cards, banking, online auction sites and gaming are probably among the most common of such sites being sold.

As is the case on the Clear Web, prices vary a lot among different sites – but more mature offerings (such as stolen Paypal accounts below) will tend to reach a generally accept pricing norm. Accounts such as these are sold in one of two ways – either as "high quality", verified accounts – where the exact current balance is known; or as bulk amounts of unverified accounts – but normally with a guarantee that at least a certain percentage will be valid. The first of these two categories can normally be seen as a higher cost item, but with greater likelihood of return of investment for a buyer – where as the bulk account sales will be significantly cheaper.





Unverified accounts sold in bulk – 80% valid or replacement offered http://3dbr5t4pygahedms.onion/

One offering that can be found quite readily on the Deep Web that is more unusual to find on the Clear Web is actual physical credit cards being sold. That is not to say these do not exist on the Clear Web criminal forums – they most certainly do – however the sites on the Deep Web seem a bit more professional in their approach.



Replica credit cards created with stolen details http://ccccrckysxxm6avu.onion/

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- [4] http://paypal4ecnf7eyqa.onion Stolen Paypal accounts
- [5] http://3dbr5t4pygahedms.onion/ Unverified stolen accounts
- [6] http://cccrckysxxm6avu.onion/ Replica stolen credit cards

Assassination Services

Perhaps one of the most worrying services on the Deep Web – and definitely one that would be very foolish to advertise on the Clear Web – is the service of Hitman for Hire, or Assassination. Several such services exist on the Deep Web. Even the sites themselves acknowledge the highly secret nature of how they have to conduct their business – one site clearly states that as all contracts are private they cannot offer proof of past work, give feedback from previous clients or show any other proof of past success. Instead they ask the person to prove upfront that they have enough Bitcoin available for the job by placing the bitcoin with a reputable (by criminal standards) escrow service. Only when the hitman has carried out the assassination and provided proof, the funds be released.

C'thulhu

Email: BM-2cVbNcn18dhfcefbaX73USLq4dYTtAxW7U@bitmessage.ch

Solutions to Common Problems! We are an organized criminal group, former soldiers and mercenaries from the FFL, highly-skilled, with military experience of more than five years. We can perform hits all around the world.

If you're asking yourself "Why someone would need to hire a killer online?", we'll tell you: simply because it is anonymous. You can always find examples of contractors who collaborated with cops (when they were facing 20 years of prison), and you (the buyer) could end up in the prison because of that. On the other hand, you can also find examples where police found who had the interest to put out a contract, and they can come to you and you can give your testimony (which would put the hitman in jail).



So, it is of mutual interest to make everything anonymous. This website is hosted on a series of anonymous servers, with access to the Internet through the Tor network, You can access this site anonymously only through the Tor network, and we upload files to the server through the Tor network. You can make payments with an anonymous digital currency, either Bitcoins. It means we don't know you and you don't know us. We can't send you to prison, and you can't send us to prison. Of course you must take a risk when you pay in advance, but there is no interest. With risk comes reward. You take a risk, and someone can always cheat you. As we said, many criminals have the balls to do things to other people, but when they face 20 years of prison they begin to talk with the police. Risks about prison and money are always present. If you are not ready to take a risk, don't contact this kind of organizations. And know, we are only one, real contractor there. Any other will try cheat you. — Contract Killer © 2011.

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Q & A!

Can I see some proofs of your last work?

Every contract is Private, and all data is Purged after elimination proof is sent to the customer. It is Mandatory for Customer's and our Security!

Can You give me contact to person who already used your services?

Again, Every contract is Private! Without Exceptions! And we will never store or share such info after completing.

Can you give to me a good feedback about, you and some proofs of succeeded work?

Sorry, but no one of our happy customers stay on forums, or have time to post feedback on some trusted site. All feedbacks is written directly to our mail, and it will not show you any proof if we'll post it on our own page. And even if you'll find an feedback on an page, it was write by an random person, who don't have with as any business.

How I would can to know that you are not a scammer as else?

Simply, we don't take any prepayments. We are only who ask just for proof that you have this money in your wallet, and you'll to arrange full escrow on trusted for both third party site.

Ask more, we'll add more.

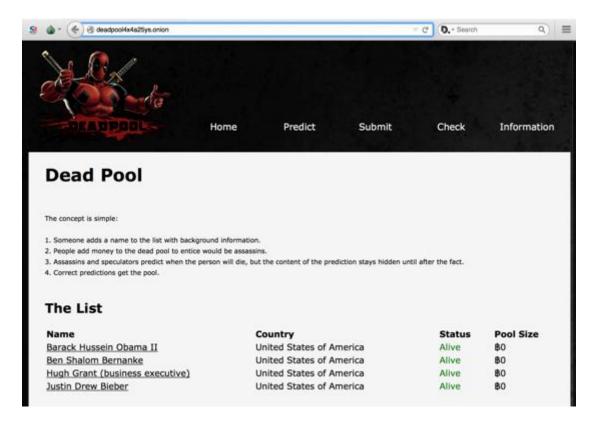
We should probably get started if you'll have at least this:

Murder Types	Low Rank	Medium Rank	High Rank and Political
Regular	\$45,000	\$90,000	\$180,000
Missing in action	\$60,000	\$120,000	\$240,000
Death in accident	\$75,000	\$150,000	\$300,000
Criple Types	Low Rank	Medium Rank	High Rank and Political
Regular	\$12,000	\$24,000	\$48,000
Uglify	\$18,000	\$36,000	\$72,000
Two Hands	\$24,000	\$48,000	\$96,000
Paralyse	\$30,000	\$60,000	\$120,000
Rape	Low Rank	Medium Rank	High Rank and Political
Regular	\$7,000	\$14,000	\$28,000
Under age	\$21,000	\$42,000	\$84,000
Bombing	Low Rank	Medium Rank	High Rank and Political
Simple	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$20,000
Complex	\$10,000	\$20,000	\$40,000
Beating	Low Rank	Medium Rank	High Rank and Political
Simple	\$3,000	\$9,000	\$18,000

C'thulu Resume – Assassination Services for Hire http://cthulhuuap7ch47k.onion

As can be seen in the screenshot above, pricing varies based on the manner of death or injury, but also by the status of the target. In fact Ross Ulbricht, the man recently convicted of running the infamous Silk Road forum for illegal drugs, attempted or order 5 assassinations of partners and others that he had fallen out with [1].

A different take on such services, and one that we hope if not actually meant as a real service is "crowdsourced assassination". One site, Deadpool, operates by users putting forward potential targets. Others can then contribute funds via bitcoin to the "dead pool". Assassins can then anonymously "predict" when and how the person will die. If the person does actually die, all the predictions are revealed and if there is an exact match – the assassin who put it forward will claim the money. To date 4 names have been put forward, but not money has been entered into the pools – making us believe that this is a hoax site.



Deadpool – Crowd Sourced Assassination http://deadpool4x4a25ys.onion

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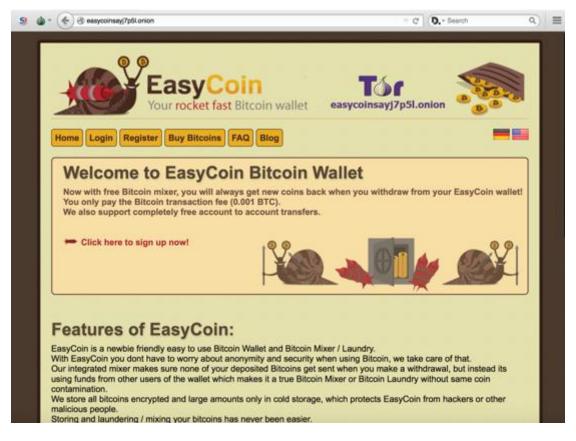
[1] http://www.wired.com/2015/02/read-transcript-silk-roads-boss-ordering-5-assassinations/

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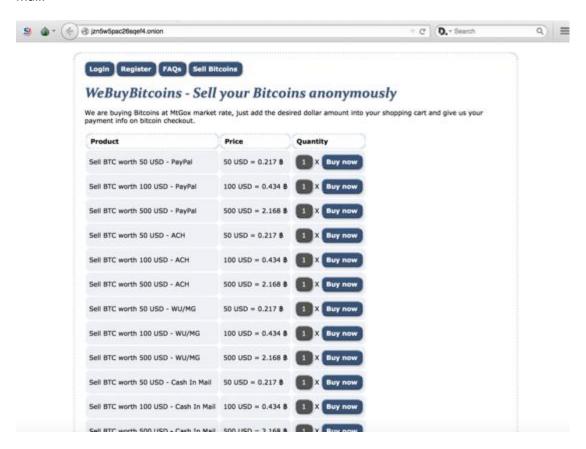
Bitcoin and Money Laundry

By itself Bitcoin is a currency designed with anonymity in mind, and as a result it is frequently used when purchasing illegal goods and services (and of course legitimate goods as well [1]). But while on one hand all Bitcoin transactions are anonymous, as long as you do not link your wallet code to your real identity, on the other they are fully public. Due to the setup of the Bitcoin blockchain every transaction is fully public – and can be examined by investigators. So tracking money as it moves through the system is doable, albeit quite difficult.

As a result a number of services have come about to add further anonymity into the system – making the electronic currency even more difficult to track. They generally achieve this by "mixing" your bitcoin [2][3] – essentially transferring them through a spidery network of micro transactions before returning them to you. In the process you end up with the same amount of money (normally minus a small handling fee), but your transactions become substantially harder to track.



EasyCoin – Bitcoin laundery service http://easycoinsayj7p5l.onion Bitcoin laundery services help to increase anonymity of money moving through the bitcoin system, but ultimately most bitcoin users will wish to extract the money from the system to be turned into cash or other types of traditional payment means. Several anonymous services exist in the Deep Web for this purpose – to exchange Bitcoin for money via Paypal, ACH, Western Union or even cash sent directly in the mail.



WeBuyBitcoins – Exchanging Bitcoin for cash or electronic payments http://jzn5w5pac26sqef4.onion

In the case of a site like WeBuyBitcoins, they offer to exchange real cash for Bitcoins at a competitive exchange rate compared to equivalent non-anonymous services that exist in the Clear Web. However for criminals willing to take on more risk for potentially more reward, another option is available – buying counterfeit currency using Bitcoin.

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20\$ SuperDollars

Features:

- * 100% Cotton linter pulp paper

 * Watermark embedded into the paper

 * The 20 on the bottom left of the front of the bill
 is printed using color-shifting metallic flecks

 * Infrared emulation on border to trick some vending
 machines

 * Security strip will glow green when exposed to UV

 * Light

 * Dont reacts to the ammonia, So pass the pen
 detector.

Cons:

- . The infrared detector normally detect our notes.
- (Sometimes not)

 We use 10 different serial numbers so some are repeated (in each order)

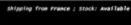
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Production:

These notes are produced in Asia, are the highest quality possible also known as "SuperDollars".

Ways to spend:

Small casinos, gambling machines, vending machines, small Western Union offices, etc... Use your imagination





Min order: 25 Notes Megular shipping included



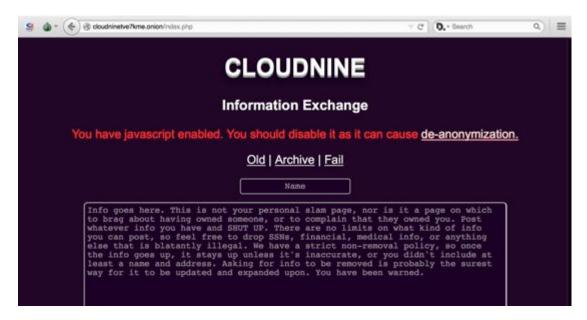
Buying counterfeit 20 USD / Euros for approximately half the price of face value http://usjudr3c6ez6tesi.onion

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- [6] http://y3fpieiezy2sin4a.onion/ Counterfeit \$50 Euro Bills
- [7] http://qkj4drtgvpm7eecl.onion/ Counterfeit \$50 USD Bills

Leaked details Government, Law Enforcement and Celebrities

Among hacker culture (and also in online gaming culture to a degree) it is common for groups of likeminded individuals to come together in loosely formed, or close knit groups. Due to the nature of the activities carried out by such groups and individuals it is very common for rivalries and fallings out to occur between different competing groups. When this occurs it is common practice for one group to attempt to "dox" the other. Doxing is the practice or researching and broadcasting personal identifiable information about an individual, which in the case of hackers is used to "unmask" a rival – essentially linking their real world identity to their online one. The means to do this vary but will normally combine accessing public data, social engineering and direct hacking.



Cloudnine Doxing site – note it requests SSN, medical & financial info and more http://cloudninetve7kme.onion

But the phenomenon of doxing or exposing private details is by no means restricted to hackers vs hackers – it is also quite common for hackers to target companies, celebrities and other public figures. In the case of companies having details exposed that is not simply restricted to hacking activity of course, it can also be insiders – as is commonly the case with well-known site Wikileaks – which also has a Deep Web presence, including a page to allow anonymous submission of new leaks.

It's very hard to know if these details are actually correct or not – but in many cases the supplied leaked details include DOB, SSN, personal email addresses, phone numbers, physical addresses and more. For example one site, Cloud Nine, lists possible "dox" for public figures such as:

Several FBI agents

- Political figures like Bill & Hillary Clinton, Barack & Michelle Obama, Sarah Palin, US Senators and others
- Celebrities such as Angelina Jolie, Bill Gates, Tom Cruise, Lady Gaga, Beyonce, Dennis Rodman and more

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Barack Hussein Obama
AGE: 50
               (August 4th 1961)
Born In: Honolulu, Hawaii
Married to Michelle Obama (Robinson)
Obama's Yahoo Email Address
       yahoorcom - IP Used to sign in 71.191.175.122 - Arrlington, VA - Verizon
Internet.
Baracks Personal IP (IP of the Whitehouse?) 66.36.206.59 - Washington DC IP that was
signed into both emails.
Obama's AOL (Protected by AOL Security)
Barack IP used to sign into that E-mail when he was in Rhode Island. 68.14.135.217 -
Cox Communications.
Court Records
Barack H Obama
Defendant
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Apparent personal email account of Barack Obama (unverified) http://cloudninetve7kme.onion

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FBIGOV	177.87 KB
FBI Agent J Keith Mularski	1.84 KB
FBI CIA DoD OFFICIALS	15.25 KB
fbi director	12.92 KB
fbi director family edition	20.32 KB
FBI SNITCH Mike Eads	0.17 KB
	0.4440

Apparent leaks of LEA (unverified) http://cloudninetve7kme.onion

KillU4Aids	0.23 KB
killurxoxo aka kaci	0.38 KB
Kimberleigh Ann Keister	0.08 KB
Kimberly_Brown	0.35 KB
kimberly_daniel	0.75 KB
<u>kimmo</u>	1.16 KB
Kim_Kardashian	0.37 KB
kingcult	0.21 KB
KingCurses	0.96 KB
KinGRiisky	1.26 KB

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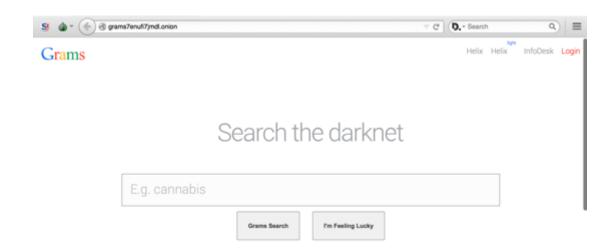
Drugs

As we mentioned, it is common for just about every report on the Deep Web to talk about how freely available illegal drugs, and weapons, are. In this report we do not intend to go into major detail on this – as it has been covered by others. But we did want to briefly highlight that fact that even after the conviction of individuals like Ross Ulbricht – who was recently sentenced [1] to life with no chance of parole for running the infamous drugs forum "The Silk Road" – procuring drugs on the Deep Web is still relatively trivial.

The availability of illegal narcotics varies a lot on the Deep Web, with sites selling everything from the relatively tame (such as contraband Tobacco[2]), to Cannabis[3], Psychedelics[4], Cocaine and so on.



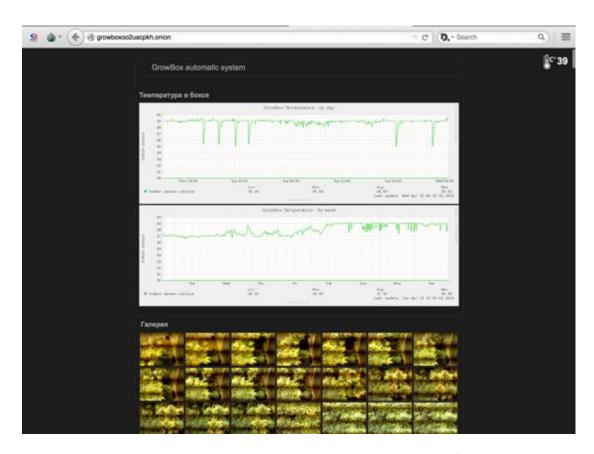
The Peoples Drug Store – selling Heroin, Cocaine, Ectasy and more http://newpdsuslmzgazvr.onion



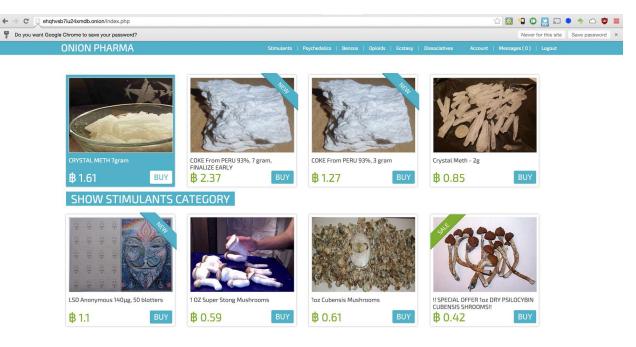
Grams – the Deepwebs search engine for drug http://grams7enufi7jmdl.onion

In addition to dedicated shops or forums, a very popular site is "Grams" which allows for the easy search and indexing of Deep Web sites that traffic in illegal drugs. With a logo styled on that of Google it has become one of the Deep Web de facto sites for those looking to buy such goods.

We've even found TOR sites that offer live information of an active Cannabis grow house – showing live stats for temperature, moisture and a live camera showing the plants growing over time.



Growhouse – showing temperature and live streaming of Cannabis plant http://growboxoo2uacpkh.onion



Drugs dealer in the Deep Web

The reason we wanted to touch on drugs on the Deep Web in this section of the report is to further highlight a point that was made in [8] — when you take down a criminal marketplace like the Silk Road, it fundamentally is not a solution in itself. On one side you still have buyers looking to procure drugs, and other side you have sellers wishing to sell to them. The marketplace or forum acts as meeting point in the middle, but if you remove it — as long as the demand for the good is strong enough on both sides — another marketplace will unfortunately always rise to take its place.

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Malware

In many ways, the Deep Web and malware are perfectly suited for each other, especially when it comes to hosting command-and-control (C&C) infrastructure. It is the nature of hidden services and sites like TOR and I2P to hide the location of servers using strong cryptography. This makes very difficult for forensic researchers to investigate using traditional means like examining a server's IP address, checking registration details, and so on. In addition, using these sites and services isn't particularly difficult. It is then not surprising to see a number of cybercriminals use TOR for C&C. We've seen the operators behind prevalent malware families use TOR for some parts of their setup. They simply bundle the legitimate TOR client with their installation package. Trend Micro first wrote about this trend back in 2013 when MEVADE malware caused a noticeable spike in TOR traffic when they switched to TOR-hidden services for C&C. Other malware families like ZBOT followed suit in 2014.

As a first example, VAWTRAK malware is a banking Trojans that spreads via phishing emails. Each sample communicates with a list of C&C servers whose IP addresses are retrieved by downloading an encrypted icon file (i.e., favicon.ico) from hard-coded TOR-hosted sites. This provides the advantage of anonymizing the location of a criminal server but not the users who access it, which is not an issue because all of the "users" are systems that the malware infected.

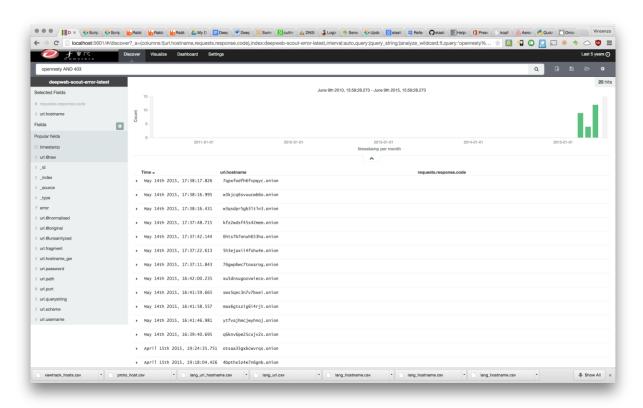


Vawtrak C&C showing the legitimate looking Favicon http://4bpthx5z4e7n6gnb.onion/favicon.ico

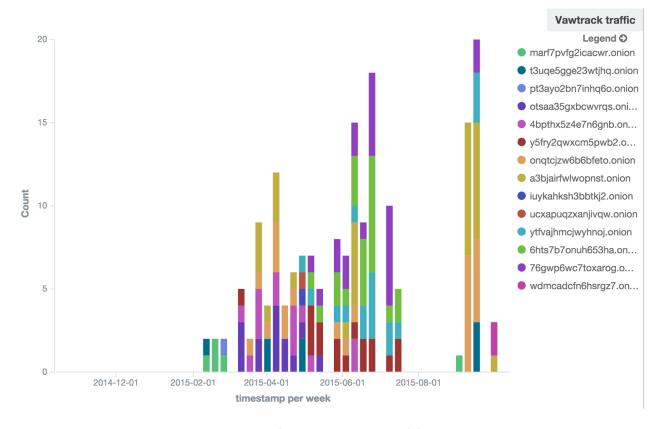
Based on the presence of this favicon.ico file and the web-server setup of the C&C (many of which run openresty/1.7.2.1), we are able to search in our system for complete lists of such sites and download the latest C&C each day.

Name	Value
content-length	612
via	1.0 charon (squid/3.1.10)
x-cache	miss from charon
x-cache-lookup	miss from charon:3128
server	openresty/1.7.2.1
last-modified	wed, 18 feb 2015 14:45:29 gmt

Example of fetched HTTP headers from C&Cs



Identified TOR-based C&Cs (1)



Identified TOR-based C&Cs (2)

Another major malware family that uses the Deep Web is CryptoLocker. CryptoLocker refers to a ransomware variant that encrypts victims' personal documents before redirecting them to a site where they can pay to regain access to their files. CryptoLocker is also smart enough to automatically adjust the payment page to account for a victim's local language and payment means. TorrentLocker—a CryptoLocker variant—makes use of TOR to host payment sites in addition to employing Bitcoin as form of payment. It shows why the Deep Web appeals to cybercriminals who are willing to make their infrastructures more robust to possible takedowns. The following screenshots are payment pages that the Deep Web Analyzer captured. Both are rendered in different languages, giving us an idea of their intended victims and origin.

CryptoLocker

购买解密软件 免费解密一个文档 常见问题 支持页面

购买解密软件以便还原所有加密文档



2015-05-04 02:46:06前购买解密软件只需11900 TWD

或之后购买价格为23800 TWD

价格上涨前剩余时间: 00:00:00

加密文档数量: 112098

现行价格: 3.59856 比特市 (约 23800 TWD)

已支付: 0 比特币 (约 0 TWD)

余款: 3.59856 比特市 (约 23800 TWD)

使用 **bitcoin**来购买解密软件

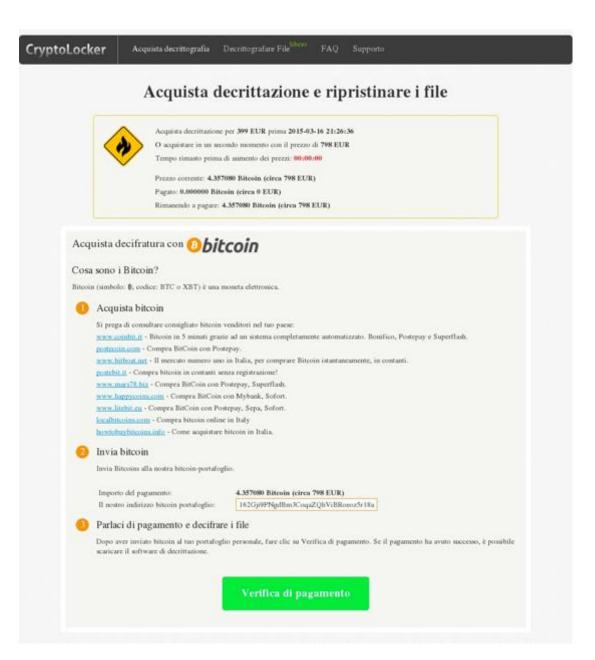
比特币到底是什么?

比特币(BTC,Bitcoin) - 互联网上使用的虚拟货币。

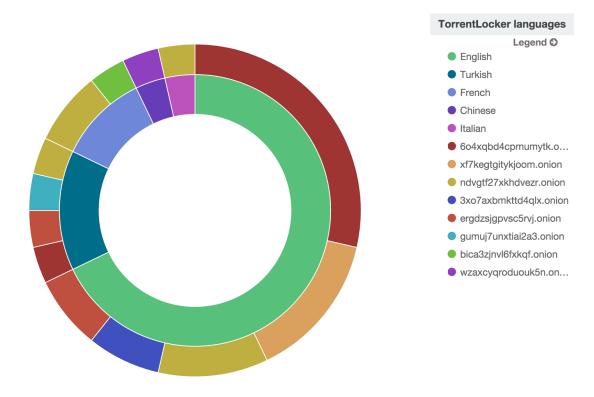
€ 购买比特币

您可在网站上购买比特币以便在台湾兑换货币

您可以使用下规据处据供的服务,通过银行汇款,使到民变付收购提汇款施定计额讯,如果您通过银行新点空投支付。按照点



Cryptolocker C&C automatically formatted for a victim in Taiwan and Italy http://ndvgtf27xkhdvezr.onion



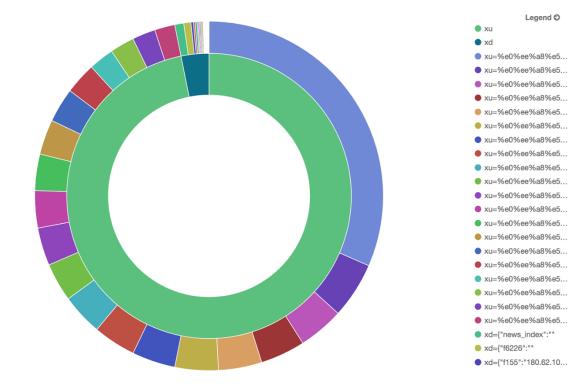
Breakdown by Victims and Countries

The following example is related to malware that steal confidential information. In our search methodology, we look for prevalent query-string's parameters in a short and recent time window – allowing us to identify new threats as soon as they appear in the Deep Web.

In this example, two parameters—xu and xd—experienced a surge in popularity over the past week. Xu was associated with more than 1,700 distinct values consisting of binary blobs. Further investigation revealed that xu was used by NionSpy to leak stolen credentials (online banking, etc.) that are then captured by a keylogger and posted to a dropzone in the Deep Web. Xd, meanwhile, was used to register a new infection to the botnet. This registration included information like the victim's machine name and OS version, communicated in form of a JSON string like the following:

[REDACTED]2xx.onion:80/si.php?xd={"f155":"MACHINE IP","f4336":"MACHINE NAME","f7035":"5.9.1.1","f1121":"windows","f6463":"","f2015":"1"}

By counting the queries associated with the registration, we were able to build a profile of the number of new victims per day, along with the amount of data leaked.

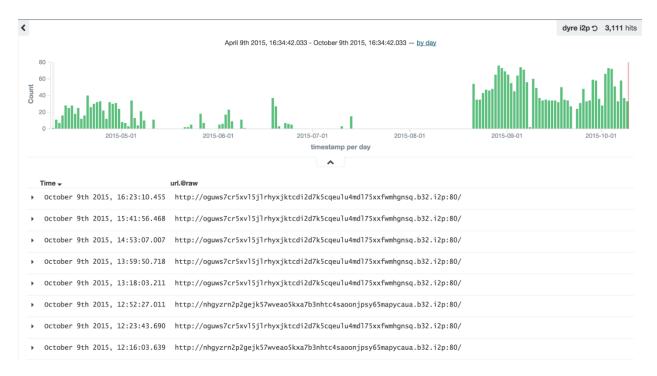


Automated Analysis on Prevalent Query-String Parameters



Number of new Infections (and Leaked data, in bytes) per day.

Finally, worth to mention is a banking Trojan called Dyre that uses I2P as backup options for its C&C infrastructure – normally ran using DGA on the Clear Web. This malware acts as a BHO that MiTMs online-banking pages at browser-level. This allows the code to back-connect from the victim to the attacker (similar to a reverse-shell approach) with the goal of granting the attacker the access to the banking portal of its victims. Accordingly to DeWA, this malware campaign introduced, over the last 6 month, 2 new operating servers and currently the number of infected victims using I2P is increased.



Traffic to Dyre's I2P infrastructure.

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